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Mother

"A father may turn his back on his child; brothers and sisters may become inveterate enemies; husbands may desert their wives and wives their husbands. But a mother's love endures through all; in good repute, in bad repute, in the face of the world's condemnation, a mother still loves on, and still hopes that her child may turn from his evil ways, and repent; still she remembers the infant smiles that once filled her bosom with rapture, the merry laugh, the joyful shout of his childhood, the opening promise of his youth; and she can never be brought to think him all unworthy."

—Washington Irving.

"Children, look in those eyes, listen to that dear voice, notice the feeling of even a single touch that is bestowed upon you by that gentle hand! Make much of it while you have that most precious of all good gifts, a loving mother. Read the unfathomable love in those eyes; the kind anxiety of that tone and look, however slight your pain. In after years you may have friends, fond, dear friends, but never will you have again the inexpressible love and gentleness lavished upon you, which none but a mother bestows."

—Macaulay.

"I know no better augury of a young man's future than true filial devotion. Very rarely does one go morally wrong, whose passionate love to his mother is a ruling force in his life, and whose continual desire is to gladden her heart. Next to the love of God, this is the noblest emotion. I do not remember a single instance of a young fellow going to the bad who was tenderly devoted to his parents."

—Thain Davidson.

"Even He who died for us upon the Cross, in the last hour, in the unutterable agony of death, was mindful of His mother, as if to teach us that this holy love should be our last worldly thought — the last point of earth from which the soul should take its flight to heaven."

—Longfellow.

"But what can we say of many mothers of today? Can these dancing, cigarette smoking, liquor drinking, movie attending, dissipated young women give to the nation the type of citizens needed to save us from catastrophe? Thank God for the holy women of the land, for the mothers who pray and who are raising their children in the light of God's Word.

"Home, as an agency of God in this wicked world, demands godly parental authority. Lawlessness in the community and in the nation usually starts at the fireside. The child who is denied respect for God and parental authority will not respect other authority when he grows to manhood."

—Pilgrim Holiness Advocate.

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth."

—Ephesians 6:1-3.

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A CALL TO PRAYER IGNORED

Rev. Raymond T. Richey . . . Houston, Texas

ON APRIL 4, 1936 (sixteen years ago), I called at the White House, carrying with me large packages containing 101,729 petitions signed by Bible-believing Christians, requesting that a Special Day of Prayer be called. Mr. Roosevelt was President at the time. I delivered to him a covering letter, with the petitions, which said in part:

"As Chairman of the Richey Evangelistic Association, I have the honor of laying before you today 101,729 signed petitions requesting you to call a special Day of Prayer, in the near future, when our citizens everywhere shall be asked to prostrate themselves before God in humility, imploring Divine Help and guidance through the present crisis.

"During other crises in American history, Chief Executives have designated certain days of special prayer. An ever increasing number of God-fearing people feel that such a Call on your part is needed at this particular time, to precipitate the great spiritual awakening which must come sooner or later, if our Christian ideals and Christian institutions are to survive the attack of Atheism, Socialism and Communism.

"In this connection we are reminded of II Chronicles 7:14, 'If my people, which are called by my name, shall

humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land'."

The White House failed utterly to appreciate the importance of our appeal. I was finally told by one of Mr. Roosevelt's secretaries that a day of prayer might have a disturbing effect on the stock market.

Looking back upon that experience, I have often thought how different conditions might have been in our Country during these intervening years, had the White House done as we suggested.

I confess that this experience has caused me to understand the imperative need of Christian leadership and statesmanship in the high circles of national government. I cannot help but compare the reception I received at the White House in 1936, with the Christian ideals emphasized in recent speeches of General Douglas MacArthur.

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I feel that we should pray for General MacArthur. He is doing much to probe the conscience of the American people and rebuild the nation's sagging character. The Church life of our Country stands to derive lasting benefit from the service he is rendering.

WHEN MacARTHUR PRAYED

The Lord's Prayer has been repeated under many strange and varied circumstances, but never in more grim and dramatic surroundings than at Seoul, Korea, after General MacArthur's victory at Pusan.

The date was September 29, 1950. The hour, shortly before noon. The place, the war-torn, half demolished Capitol building at Seoul. Fires were still burning in the city. Fighting was going on ten miles away.

Only a few days earlier, the red armies were pressing for a Dunkirk that threatened to drive our outnumbered forces into the sea.

General MacArthur had sought the mind of God in prayer, for guidance, to avert this slaughter of American boys.

By what is regarded as one of the wisest strokes in military history, he led forces by water above the Com-

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munist hordes, attacked, divided them and cut their armies to pieces.

Then a few days later, heading a cavalcade of American and Korean officials, newspapermen and photographers, he entered Seoul for the purpose of turning the city back to its rightful owners. He began his address by a reference to the mercies of God and concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

General George Kenney, who was present, says: "You are impressed when you hear MacArthur mention God. He is deeply religious and his sincerity is so evident that you realize at once that here is no pose. The reference is not there as a matter of form. It is there because General MacArthur believes in God."

Coming to that part of his address where he was about to lead in prayer, the General hesitated for a long, solemn moment.

In the seated crowd before him, squeezed into the benches where the legislators used to sit, were many wearing camouflaged helmets or caps, and most were keeping them on their heads because of the occasional showers of broken glass.

When MacArthur said: "In humble and devout manifestation of gratitude to Almighty God for bringing this decisive victory to our arms, I ask that all present rise and join me in reciting the Lord's Prayer," he signalled with his hands for the crowd to stand.

There was the rumbling shuffle of many getting to their feet, such as you might hear in church. Off came the camouflaged helmets, the canvas caps, the snappy blue Air Force hats, the Navy caps. Every head was bowed.

MacArthur's voice uttered the words which have come down the ages, slowly and with great feeling. The crowd went along with him in a low murmur. At the conclusion, "For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever, Amen," MacArthur's voice became strained with emotion.

There was another pause and the General motioned for the men to be seated. On went the helmets and caps again, as there was another tinkle of falling glass.

I like to feel that despite the awful times in which we live, that there are still leaders on the historical scene who believe in God, the Word of God, and really pray. This fact offers a ray of hope, a bright light, in an otherwise clouded sky.



CHRISTIAN PSYCHOLOGY

A Defender Hour Broadcast
Dr. Gerald B. Winrod

THIS BROADCAST will be devoted to Christian applied psychology. So please make yourselves comfortable and be psychologists for the next half hour.

I have the young people of the listening audience primarily in mind, young people of high school and college age. But you who are older have our permission to stay dialed to the program.

Brain building is a science, a psychic science. You grow brains like you grow beans, only you plant a different kind of seed.

The average man has a few million brain cells lying dormant, empty, in the chemistry of his brain, that are never stimulated into action during his lifetime, because he never really learns how to think.

There is such a thing as planting seed thoughts — deep, original seed thoughts, that will germinate and increase earning, learning and productive power. Spiritual thoughts may be planted that will make you a better, more spiritually-minded, victorious Christian.

There is such a thing as thinking constructively, enlarging vision, pushing back horizons, increasing mental and spiritual capacity, equipping yourself in a way to make your dreams come true.

It is a mistake to minimize the power of right thinking. We are creatures of thought. Thought is creative. Everything that man creates in the material world begins first with a thought form on mental levels.

Bearing this premise in mind, we are now ready to *study ourselves* in relation to our environment — in relation to the world in which we live. Socrates said: "Know thyself."

MAN. A LITTLE WORLD

The trichotomy of man is a fact. Don't be afraid of that word trichotomy! It simply means, or rather suggests, an expansion of the thought expressed by the apostle Paul when he said: "I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless."

Man is a microcosm, a little world. Every force and substance so far discovered in the universe is found in him in miniature. He is a universe in himself. No wonder the Psalmist said: "I am fearfully and wonderfully made."

Man is of a threefold nature. He is a threefold being. He lives in three worlds. He functions on three different planes of life. He possesses three bodies. He is body, soul and spirit. Three types of life blend to make up the composite whole of human personality.

Man possesses a physical body that corresponds to his physical environment. He deals with it in terms of size and weight and place and substance. It is transitory. It is here today and gone tomorrow.

When the spirit departs, the physical body breaks down in cell structure and returns to dust. New Testament Scripture refers to this body as a "tabernacle," something temporary.

"As for man," says David, referring to the physical side of human personality, "his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more."

It is a lie of the five senses to identify personality with the physical body. Man is more than a meat mechanism. He is

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more than form and function, sensation and desire. The physical body is only one side, the least important side of his existence.

Man also possesses a soul body that corresponds to his psychic environment. A body of thought, a body of intelligence, a body of memory, a body of intuition and emotion. The soul of man possesses amazing capacities.

It survives dissolution of the physical. For one thing, it has a tremendous outreach, beyond the limitations of the material. You have soul capacity to visualize conditions a thousand miles away. You can picture before your conscious mind something seen at a distant place five years ago, with much the same exactness that it was then observed.

The human soul is composed of a substance invisible to the natural eye. It has form, shape, size and substance, ethereal substance.

In expression the soul is both positive and negative. On the positive side it contacts the human spirit. On the negative side it contacts the human body.

As positive, the soul is subjective and intuitive. As negative, it is objective and rational. In its contact with the human body, it flashes mental pictures on and off the screen of thought. These register in the subconscious mind and tend to modify impulses while molding the character of the individual.

Man creates nothing in the physical world that he does not first create in the mental world. The mental is the blueprint. The physical is the structure. The mental is the cause. The physical is the effect.

Solomon said: "For as he (man) thinketh in his heart, so is he." Wise men and wise women guard their thought life. We are creatures of thought.

KNOWING GOD EXPERIENTIALLY

Man also possesses a spirit body which corresponds to his spiritual environment. This part of the human personality is wonderful beyond description. The human spirit is so constituted that it can contact deity. It can house deity.

"God is a spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." Salvation is vertical, a straight up and down relationship between man and his Maker.

When the human spirit ignites with the eternal spirit, a holy flame is generated in consciousness. Man becomes the recipient of a supernatural inflow. He enjoys spiritual illumination. He

comes into a spiritual experience made possible only through contact with his spiritual environment.

Jesus said to Peter: "Flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee." In other words, Peter had a spiritual experience that transcended physical levels.

The New Testament came to us in the Greek language. There are three words in the original text translated "life," but they mean three entirely different types of life.

There is the Greek word *bios*, meaning physical life, from which we get our modern word biology.

There is a second word translated life from the original Greek, *psuche*, meaning psychic life, soul life, from which we get our modern word psychology.

There is a third word in the original Greek text, *zoa*, which means spirit life.

Due to the poverty of the English language, these three words are all translated "life." But they mean three different forms of life, physical, mental and spiritual.

Physical laws operate in the physical world. Psychic laws operate on the psychic level. And spiritual laws operate in the spiritual world.

Comply with a physical law and you will get a result. Oppose a physical law and you still suffer the consequences. Step off a ten story building. You will suffer the consequences. Don't blame Sir Isaac Newton! He only discovered the law of gravitation.

The same principle obtains in the psychic world. Comply with the laws that govern the mind and you will get

a result. Oppose psychic laws and you will suffer the consequences.

Comply with spiritual laws that have to do with things eternal and you will get a result. Oppose spiritual laws and you may expect to suffer the consequences.

The Book says that "The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life." This is true, not because the Bible says so ... but because sin is a violation of the moral law.

To indulge in it, to live under the domination of sin, makes one subject to its penalty, which is death, expulsion from the presence of God. "The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life."

THINK CONSTRUCTIVE THOUGHTS

Psychology has to do with the power of thought. It is the science of the soul. Its purpose is to teach one how to think — right. The power of right thinking is well nigh unlimited.

Every thought is a brick in the structure of personality. Good thoughts, healthy thoughts, constructive thoughts, constitute good building material. Morbid thoughts, sick thoughts, narrow

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thoughts, constitute weak building material. What you are is determined largely by what you think.

One ship drives east,
And another drives west.
With the self-same winds that blow.
'Tis the set of the sails,
And not the gales,
Which tells us the way to go.

Like the winds of the sea,
Are the ways of fate.
As we voyage along through life.
'Tis the set of the soul.
That decides the goal.
And not the calm or the strife.

At this point I wish to interrupt myself to read a verse of Scripture. Philippians 4:8, "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

Notice the apostle Paul says *think*. Think on these things, good things, healthy things, constructive things. If you don't like your disposition, change it by filling your mind with different thoughts! Your conduct will be brought to conform with the mental blueprint created by the power of right thinking.

If you don't like your environment, change it by changing yourself on the *inside* ... and you will draw to yourself better conditions from the *outside*. As a man "thinketh in his heart, so is he."

Too many people are imitators. They are carbon copies. They cramp their souls to fit the fashions. They bolt their opinions like they do their food.

A political slogan or a catch phrase may influence the thinking of millions in a wrong direction. A few years ago the American people elected a slogan called a New Deal, which was not *new* at all. It was a throwback to the outworn totalitarian systems of the past. But millions of people fell for the slogan. Cultivate originality.

It is one thing to acquire an education. It is another thing to learn how to think. Leave your knowledge in the books. Leave the books on the shelves unless you expect to use it. Put your learning to work, otherwise don't bother to learn it!

I know a man. He collects diplomas. He has five degrees. He has taken three postgraduate courses. His walls are plastered with parchment. He is a walking encyclopedia, a human dictionary. But the poor fellow has never learned to think. He is still hibernating in his native community.

He is a slave to authority. He is a perfect mirror for reflecting other people's ideas. When I ask him what he thinks, he begins to quote authority. He has never produced over sixteen hundred dollars a year. A fraction of the knowledge he possesses, applied in a practical way, would have made him successful in some chosen vocation.

LEARN MENTAL CONCENTRATION

Next, the practical psychologist will tell you to learn mental concentration. Grip those mental faculties. Focus them. Direct them. Mind is a limited quantity. The further you spread it, the thinner it gets.

Hold in the sunlight a piece of paper. The falling rays will barely warm its surface. But focalize the rays with a glass and you will set the paper on fire. Mind wandering is a dread disease, a dangerous habit. Scattered forces dissipate power. Jack of all trades is master of none.

The apostle Paul became the mightiest preacher in Church history, the greatest missionary of all times, and founder of the Christian theology, because he could say: "This one thing I do." He was animated by one consuming passion, namely, the presentation of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I leave it with you. It's a good motto. "This one thing I do."

Come with me to an upper room where an inventor is working on an invention. Thirty hours have passed. He

has been concentrating on the task at hand. No rest, no sleep, no relaxation. Just intense application and mental concentration.

Forty hours. The inventor comes down the stairs looking like a hunted beast. His eyes are deep set. His hair is disheveled. His face is grave and marked with heavy lines. He calls his six best men. They return to the upper room.

A friend says: "Man, when are you coming down from that room to stay? You can't stand it. You are going into brain fever."

He stares blankly. His voice is barely audible. "I'm coming down when the invention is complete, or I'll never come down." He climbs the stairs. Again in the upper room. The men follow his instructions. They answer his questions. Concentration is intensified.

Fifty hours. Fifty-five. Fifty-six. And the brain of that inventor, Thomas Edison, is wrought into a white heat. As a result of the white heat of that brain, our cities are now aglow with the electric torch ... because Edison learned what every failure of life has failed to learn, the value of mental concentration. He learned how to use his mind.

The same Edison said: "Genius is 2 per cent inspiration and 8 per cent perspiration." There is no substitute for hard work.

Victor Hugo had his clothing taken out of the house while writing Notre Dame. He was afraid that he might be tempted to put down his pen and leave the premises.

Successful men know how to drive themselves. They learn to hurl their full weight on the side of achievement. In this way they are able to change knocks into boosts, and barriers into stepping stones.

CHRISTIAN PSYCHOLOGY STARTS WITH THE FACT OF GOD

In pursuing the study of psychology, it is important to choose a right premise. Modern behaviorism reasons erroneously that the material is the world of reality. It affirms that the mind of man evolved from quagmires of materialism by something akin to spontaneous generation.

It starts with the physical and reckons back toward the spiritual. Behaviorism builds upon a false foundation. Many of its deductions are contrary to fact.

On the other hand, Christian psychology begins with the Genesis statement, "In the beginning God." It recognizes the spiritual as the world of reality.

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God is a spirit. Man is a spirit, in whom the image of God has been marred by sin. Man does not *have* a spirit. He is a spirit. He has a soul and body. Materialistic psychology reasons backwards. It regards the physical as the cause and the mental as the effect.

According to this theory, God is an invention, an evolution, a mental concept, a figment of the imagination. It says virtually that man created God in his own image . . . instead of God having created man in *His* image.

On the other hand, Christian psychology visualizes the spiritual as the cause and the mental and physical as the effect. The spirit is the cause. The soul is the effect. And the body is an effect of the effect.

Christian psychology is rooted in deity. It regards the physical body as an outer garment to dissolution. The human spirit, the essence of personality, will exist clothed with soul substance throughout eternity.

YOUTH EXPOSED TO DANGERS

Unfortunately, much being taught these days in the name of psychology is dangerous to Christian faith and practice. Our young people are being taught many things that destroy faith and leave them in a state of utter confusion.

I am thinking of a young woman who grew up in a small Ohio community. Her parents were farm folk and deeply religious. As a girl she attended Sunday School. There was a family altar in the home. Her father said grace before every meal.

He often said: "I never had an opportunity to get an education myself. But I'm going to see that my children do."

It was a proud day when these parents took their daughter to the depot in the little village, put her on the train and sent her away to the school of their denomination. They had talked the matter over with the local Pastor and he assured them that this was the right school to which the girl should be sent.

At first, some things she heard in the classrooms shocked her. The teachings were so unlike what she had been taught at home. The Pastor of the campus Church where most of the students attended, was a brilliant young man, but he preached a different Gospel than she had ever before heard. For weeks she seemed to be in a fog. She came to doubt everything she had previously believed. By degrees her faith was destroyed.

During the summer vacation, after her first year at school, the parents

noticed that a change had taken place in their daughter. This caused them great concern. They were worried. But the situation became even worse after the second year.

Then, during the third year, while away from home at school, the girl was seized with a violent illness. It was a fatal disease. Her condition quickly became critical.

One day the Pastor of the campus Church, the blind guide whose preaching had helped destroy her faith and rob her of her Christian experience, called at the sick room. He expressed hope that she would soon be well enough to come back to church.

Speaking with great effort, she told him that she would never again attend church. She said: "Pastor, I shall die very soon."

For a moment he seemed bewildered. Then he hastened to explain that her spirits were only a little low, that she would soon be better and on the way to recovery. But she said: "No, Pastor, I shall not leave this bed alive."

Then she told him that she was afraid to die, that she did not know what she believed, that she wished she had never come there to school, that she wished she had never heard him preach.

There was a Christian physician in the room. He listened to the conversation. Then he stepped quietly between the young preacher and the dying girl. He said: "My child, I have known for several hours that you were not going to live. I have wired your parents. They will be here soon. You may be sure they are praying for you."

Then the doctor knelt beside the bed. He took the dying girl's hand tenderly in his hand and said: "Now, my child, let's talk about Jesus. Let's forget everything else and talk about Jesus."

Step by step, he explained to her the plan of salvation. He discussed the great eternal verities of the Faith. He prayed with her. He brought her back to Christ. He carried her into definite acceptance of Jesus Christ as her personal Saviour.

Rising to his feet, the physician noticed that the blind guide had left the room.

The girl murmured, "Thank you, doctor." Three days later she went to be with the Lord.

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ROMANS 3:22-3: "There is no difference; for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

Strange words, these, but true nevertheless. "There is no difference." What do they mean?

There are only two companies of people in the world today: those who are guilty and those who are not guilty; the saved and the lost; the sinners and the saints. And you, my friend, belong to one or the other. You are either a Christian or you are *not* a Christian.

There are only two ways: the Broad Way that leads to destruction and death, and the Narrow Way that leads to heaven and eternal life. And you, my fellow traveler, are on the one or the other, the Broad or the Narrow, for there is no third.

Over the one group is written the word "guilty," and over the other "not guilty." It matters not whether you have been very good or very bad, whether you consider yourself a great sinner or a small sinner; you are either guilty or not guilty, and must stand with the rest in your allotted place.

You may have your name on a Church roll; you may be an active worker in the Church, or you may have spent the years of your life in the penitentiary for some crime, but it makes no difference; if you are unsaved you are guilty and belong to the company that

is traveling on the Broad Way to destruction.

NO MIDDLE GROUND

What an awful picture presents itself as we think of the great deluge, when the flood destroyed the race with the exception of Noah and those who were with him in the ark! Sinners who had lived moral lives, along with the degraded and depraved, were drowned beneath the mighty waters that swept them into eternity. Only two classes, only two companies: those in the ark and those outside.

When the cities of the plains were destroyed, think you that all in Sodom and Gomorrah were equally sinful and degraded? Of course there was a graduated scale of sinful indulgence, but all were sinners, and therefore guilty before God. And destruction fell upon them all alike. All were in the city and in the same company, branded "guilty."

No one will say that all the first-born of Egypt were equally depraved. Many were, no doubt, the finest men of the land: statesmen, poets, philosophers and priests. But God said, "When I see the blood I will pass over you" (Exodus

12:13). Therefore every house sprinkled by the blood was passed over, and every one not so sprinkled was smitten. It was not a question of the heinousness of sin; it was a question of obedience. There were only two companies, those sheltered by the blood and those not so covered.

THE GREATEST SIN

You tell me you are *not* guilty. You deny the need of saving grace. I answer that you are guilty of the greatest sin a human being can commit. I accuse you of the blackest crime of which man can be guilty. *You have rejected the Lord Jesus Christ.*

You have spurned His love, ignored His pleadings and trampled His blood. You have refused to accept God's offer of mercy. You are guilty of the sin of unbelief, the most vicious sin the Bible knows anything about. Your ingratitude is amazing.

God offers you His Son, and you refuse His Gift. "When he (the Holy Spirit) is come," said Jesus, "he will reprove the world of sin." What kind? Murder? Adultery? Theft? Not primarily! "Of sin, because they believe not on me" (John 16:8-9). Unbelief!

It is not a question of the depth of sin. The question is: What is your attitude towards Jesus Christ? Have you owned Him as Saviour? There is no more important question than the one asked by Pilate: "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?" Your relation to Jesus Christ will determine your destiny.

GOD'S WAY EXPLAINED

I read a statement by Private Peat in which he said: "This war is doing one big thing — it is wiping hypocrisy out of men's hearts. We cuss and grumble all right, but God understands and surely our sacrifice is bigger than those sins."

How little he knows of the character of God! As if all the sacrificial blood of the human race could ever blot out even one sin, aside from the blood of the God-man. When will men learn that they cannot save themselves? The best man in the world, humanly speak-

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ing, has nothing that he can give in exchange for salvation.

It was not until Peter saw Jesus that he realized his own unworthiness and cried: "Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord."

It was only when the holiness of God appeared to the prophet Isaiah that he exclaimed: "Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts."

Job also, after Satan and his friends tried in vain to detect a flaw in his character, confessed his sinfulness when confronted by the holiness of God. "Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes."

Inherent in the heart of man is the idea that he must *do* something in order to be saved. Far away in India there are men who, not knowing the grace of God nor the fact that eternal life is a gift, attempt by works of merit and efforts of their own to achieve salvation.

Here is one who lies on a bed of spikes in the scorching sun. Another swings over a slow fire. Others take upon themselves vows of silence, or hold up a hand until it becomes fixed. Many crawl or walk great distances on pilgrimages, stretching their length on the ground every six feet. Thousands wash in the waters of the Ganges, thereby seeking to merit salvation.

Doing, doing, doing! Oh, the awful bondage and slavery of man-made religion! How difficult men make it for themselves! And all the while God has clearly and emphatically stated that eternal life is a gift, and therefore can never be obtained by works.

The Bible clearly says: "Work out your own salvation," but nowhere does it say: "Work for your own salvation." You cannot even begin to work it out until God first works it in. And again, it does not say, "Work out your own atonement." Christ did that nineteen hundred years ago.

Here is a young man who enters college. He goes to the registrar, pays his fee, and is enrolled as a student. "Now, young man," says the school official, "work out your college course." He could not begin to work until he had enrolled. For four or more years he will be working out his course of study. You, also, must get in before you can work out your salvation. You work out what God works in, but you do not work for God's gift.

There is nothing that a man can do to save himself. In the man-made religions of the world, blood flows from man to God. That is merit. But in Christianity it flows from God to man. That is grace.

THE PHARISEE AND THE PUBLICAN

"Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner."

With the Pharisee it was all "I." "I fast, I give, I am not, I do." That was the religion of self-righteousness. And when you ask many professed Christians today the ground of their salvation, they will answer: "I go to Church, I give my tenth, I teach a Sunday School class, I have been baptized, I am an active Church worker," and so on. It is all "I." Not what "Christ" did, but what "I" *do*.

How different from Paul, the chief of sinners "I live; yet not I," he said. Let us take our place as sinners and boast of what Christ did, remembering that human righteousness is but filthy rags; and that "Jesus paid it all."

*Nothing either great or small,
Nothing sinner, no;
Jesus did it, did it all,
Long, long ago.*

THE DIVINE PLAN

Man's plan of salvation is always based on merit. God's on grace. Man is occupied with "doing" something or "being" something in order to obtain salvation. But the Word says: "By grace are ye saved" (Ephesians 2:8). And grace is the opposite of merit; the one excludes the other. If salvation is by grace, it cannot be through merit; and if it is through merit, it cannot be by grace. It is wholly of merit or wholly of grace.

Grace is one of the most important words in the Bible. "The gospel of the grace of God" is the good news that we are given to proclaim. We read in Romans 3:24, "Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." Every word here is full of meaning.

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Take, for instance "redemption," which means "to buy back." The race had been sold to Satan, sin and death, by the first Adam. Jesus Christ came and paid the ransom by taking upon Himself sin and its penalty, and so wrought redemption. He bought us back from the slave market.

*Thus He paid the sinner's ransom
Bore the awful penalty;
Bled and died to make atonement
Blessed Lamb of Calvary!*

The price He paid was His own life's blood. "Ye were not redeemed," declares the inspired apostle, "with corruptible things, as silver and gold; but with the precious blood of Christ." Now that the ransom price has been fully paid, God is able to justify "freely."

In John 15:25, you have the same Greek word which is translated "freely," rendered, "without a cause." "They hated me without a cause." That is, without any reason or ground for their hatred. And that is the way that God justifies the sinner. It is "without a cause," "freely." There is nothing good in us that merits His favor. He justifies wholly on the ground of the redemptive work of Jesus Christ.

Thus grace is "unmerited favor." Salvation is of grace, freely bestowed upon the undeserving; it is all of God. Man can do nothing to merit it or deserve it. It can neither be earned nor purchased.

There are two ways to satisfy the law. One is to keep it; the other is to bear its penalty if broken. Its penalty is "death." "The wages of sin is death." "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." Law always carries a penalty. The law cannot be broken without incurring the penalty.

But God, desiring to save the sinner, and yet deal in justice, "that he might be just and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus," gave Christ "to be the propitiation" or "satisfaction" for man's sin. "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness" (Romans 3:25). "And he (Jesus) is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world" (1 John 2:7), thus making it possible by bearing the penalty of sin, which was death, for God to deal with man in grace.

PREVALENT IDEA OF REPENTANCE

Men should simply take God at His word. But instead, they will insist on "doing" something to gain His favor. Consider, for instance, the prevalent idea regarding repentance. Some teach that God demands a long period of contrition and sorrow, bitter remorse and anguish of heart, hours of prostration at the "penitent form" where the sinner confesses his sins and prays for forgiveness and salvation before he can obtain mercy.

Well, convicted he may be; but con-

viction is not repentance, nor does it constitute conversion. Such an experience is by no means the basis of salvation. Nowhere is an unsaved man told to go through a period of so-called repentance (which is not repentance) in the hope that if he thus "repents of his sins long enough," God will on that ground pardon him at last.

*It is not thy tears of repentance
and prayers,
But the blood that atones for thy
soul.*

True repentance, viz., a change of mind and purpose which results in a complete and wholehearted turning away from and forsaking of sin, is always included in saving faith, and must necessarily accompany salvation. But suppose you do repent of your sins, pray for forgiveness and salvation, confess your transgressions, bow at the penitent form again and again, and plead for mercy and pardon unceasingly — will that save you? Can you merit God's favor by such works? You cannot.

There must come a moment in the midst of it all when you turn from everything of your own "doings" — tears, prayers, confession and repentance, and trust Christ alone, receive Him, rely on His shed blood, place your faith in the finished work of Calvary, believing that "Jesus paid it all."

Take, if you will, the passages in Acts that answer the definite question, "What must I do to be saved?" The first incident is found in Acts 10:43, where Peter preaches to Cornelius and the Gentiles assembled with him. The answer here is given as follows: "Whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins."

The next incident is in Acts 13:39, where Paul is preaching at Antioch. And this is what he says: "All that believe are justified from all things."

The third passage is in Acts 16:31, where Paul says to the Philippian jailer: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."

FAITH AND FAITH ALONE

So, then, eternal life is obtained by faith, and faith alone. "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:14-15). "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son

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shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him" (John 3:36).

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and *believeth* on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life" (John 5:24).

"For by grace are ye saved through *faith*; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast" (Ephesians 2: 8-9). "But these are written, that ye

might *believe* that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name" (John 20:31). "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that *believeth* on me hath everlasting life" (John 6:47).

Yes, it is as simple as that. You take by faith, and the Holy Spirit does the rest. The atoning death of Christ is the basis or ground of salvation, and faith is the connecting link between the sinner and Christ.

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AS WE SEE a war-torn world — a world that is sick, pained, confused, and bewildered, we believe that this is the hour for the Church to speak out. This is the hour for the Church to show forth the love and grace of God. This is the hour for the world to hear, through the Church, Christ saying "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."

There is one thing that Jesus said that I want you to think about today. Jesus said to those who followed Him: "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." That verse of Scripture is tremendously important.

In another part of the Bible we find the same thing stated by John: "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and everyone that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins."

The Bible declares that we who follow Jesus Christ should manifest the same love for each other, as God manifested when He sent His Son to die on the Cross.

I want you to see what it means to

love as God loves because the Bible says: "God is love." The basic attribute of God is holiness, but love is another attribute. It is a part of God's nature to love, and all who know Jesus Christ as Saviour also have this supernatural love shed abroad in their hearts by the Holy Spirit. The greatest demonstration of the fact that we are Christians, is that we love one another.

In the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians we find *first*, a description of a man who does *not* possess love. The Apostle Paul says: "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I am become as sounding brass or tinkling cymbal."

In other words, suppose I could speak with the oratory of a William Jennings Bryan. Suppose I could speak with cryptic language like Churchill. Suppose I could sing like Caruso. Suppose I had a thousand tongues that could speak a thousand languages at the same time. The Bible says all that is nothing, and I am nothing, unless I have this divine, supernatural love that God gives.

Secondly, "Though I have the gift of prophesy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge . . . and have not love, I am nothing."

I could be a man of tremendous knowledge. I could understand all the mysteries and all of history, and be

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able to put all the patterns together. I could know the Bible from one end to the other and memorize thousands of verses. I could be a great Bible teacher. I could even be a preacher from the pulpit — and have not love.

I know men who are conservative in their theology — men who would die contending for the inspiration of the Bible, and yet the love motive is missing. They are bitter toward their brethren. I might know the Bible from Genesis to Revelation but, if I had not love, it would mean nothing in the sight of God.

Thirdly, I might be a man of great faith. The Bible says that I might have faith so that I could move mountains, but, if I have not love, it is nothing.

I could be a man of great charity. The Bible says: "Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor . . . it profiteth me nothing" unless I have this divine love that God gives.

I could also be a man of consuming zeal. Paul continues: "Though I give my body to be burned and have not love, it profiteth me nothing." Suppose I were like many Korean Pastors. Seventeen hundred Korean Pastors have paid with their blood for their faith

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in Jesus Christ. Suppose I died at a stake or was shot for my faith in Jesus Christ. You would say: "Billy Graham is a man of consuming zeal. He died as a martyr." The Word says it is nothing, unless I am filled with the love of God.

What a brilliant life this man lived — this hypothetical man the Bible describes: He was a man of eloquence, knowledge, power, charity, zeal, but

the Bible says he was absolutely nothing without love. What a powerful thing this love must be! How much stock God puts in love!

This love that the Bible is talking about, "suffereth long." In other words, it is patient. It is kind. It "envieth not." There is no jealousy in this divine love that God gives. "It vaunteth not itself," makes no parade of itself. It is "not puffed up," gives itself no airs.

It is a love that demands humility. It never pushes itself to the top, never tries to promote itself, never tries to advertise itself. It is always in the background, truly humble. We need in the Church today a genuine, old-fashioned baptism of Christian brotherliness, an unselfish, tender, loving regard for one another.

Then the Bible says it "doth not behave itself unseemly." It is never rude. It is always courteous and gracious at every turn. It "seeketh not her own," is never selfish. God looks after you, and you are to look after others. It is "not easily provoked," not touchy or irritable. If people have to handle you with kid gloves, have to watch out what they say to you, you don't know anything about this love that the Apostle is discussing.

It "thinketh no evil." It never holds a grudge, never entertains malice. It "rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth." It is never glad when another falls. I know professed Christians who, when they hear that another Christian has fallen, say, "Isn't that too bad?" but they don't mean it. They gloat inwardly over the mistakes of others.

Then the Bible says that this love "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things." It is slow to expose the evils and faults in others. It is eager to believe the best and always hopeful and optimistic concerning the future. This passage teaches that love is greater than faith and hope.

Only this divine love that God gives will make us love others, and before we have revival in America, we must have that kind of love among God's people.

The greatest demonstration of love that mankind has ever known was God sending His own Son to die for you. You did not deserve to have Him die for you. You are a sinner. The Bible says that you know nothing about this love if you are outside Christ. It is impossible for you to have this divine love, because it is a gift of God only to those who love Christ. But — God loves you just the same.

It makes no difference how deep in the mire of sin and transgression you have gone. God loves you today! He proved it by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the Cross. At this moment you can receive Christ into your heart. God will create a new spirit within you. He will give you this love, this new consuming affection, to shine forth to bless others.

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2 From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my

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"The Charter of the United Nations was written by Alger Hiss, the treasonable felon, assisted by Harry Dexter White."

THE STORY of the United Nations is one of the strangest, most weird, and most tragic which has perhaps ever been unfolded upon this earth.

Gendered by the American people in an honest and fervent desire for universal peace, there can be no reasonable doubt at this time that it was a made-to-order trap by the Communists to bring into being a one-world government, a Communist world state, and a pliable instrument for Soviet aggression.

It is all so incredible that the good people of America, not being used to Oriental duplicity and intrigue, simply cannot believe that men could be so utterly false to all the laws of decent living, and the great moral principles upon which this Government was founded.

DUPLICITY OF SOVIET RUSSIA

Lying, duplicity, treason, suicide, bloodshed, genocide on a scale never before witnessed upon this earth have been practiced in the rape of Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Rumania, China, Tibet, East Germany, and other smaller states, whose peoples were either brutally murdered when they refused to bow the knee to the invader, were sent to a fate worse than death in the slave labor camps of Russia and Siberia, or who are living in peril of their lives in the police states set up in these overridden countries.

And yet the Communist hordes of Russia and her satellites piously profess their adherence to the alleged principles of the Genocide Convention. What a strange thing it is that the people of America, blinded by their desire for universal peace, have either overlooked this discrepancy, or refused to believe it. One of the five original signers of the United Nations Charter still poses as a liberty-loving democracy, in spite of all these hideous crimes against the minorities in the states it has engulfed.

No wonder I shudder every time I hear the word "democracy." It is now

Stalin's word, and has an entirely different connotation than when Webster wrote his dictionary. Certainly no American should ever now use the term. I am sure I do not need to remind you that we are not now, and never were a democracy; *we are a constitutional Republic*, and have nothing in common with that hated term, which has now become opprobrious to a most extreme degree . . .

UNITED NATIONS CHARTER DESIGNED AS INSTRUMENT OF FORCE

Contrary to its stated aims, the United Nations Charter was never an instrument dedicated to the cause of universal peace as proclaimed. It has been an instrument of force from its inception.

And while its founders cloaked the application of power with the universal desire for peace, even a cursory reading will demonstrate that a solid backbone of military power occupies almost one-third of the body of the Charter, with speculations as to its effective use on occasion by the dominant Big Five of the contracting powers.

The Charter was written by Alger Hiss, the treasonable felon, assisted by Harry Dexter White, later cited before a Congressional Un-American Activities

Committee as a possible Communist, and who died shortly afterward from causes which were never cleared up; Molotov of Russia; and Edward Stettinius, who was then Secretary of State. It was patterned to some extent upon the Constitution of the Soviet Republics, frequently paraphrasing the wording of that document.

A perusal of articles 43 to 51, inclusive, will reveal that it was designed as an instrument of force; and the finagling of Russia in obtaining the preponderance of votes over ours, proves that she intended to use it as an instrument of aggression against us.

This fact was dimly realized by the other signers of the pact, to the extent that a General Assembly had to be formed, in addition to the original Executive Council of the Big Five, wherein Russia and her satellites could be outvoted, and where her veto would not be permitted. And in point of fact, most of the deliberations of the United Nations at present are carried on in this General Assembly.

UNITED NATIONS FORMING ONE-WORLD GOVERNMENT

All of this was bad enough, and hopeless enough, as far as the best interests of the United States were concerned, but worse was still to come. Entirely through self-constituted authority, without a single particle of any grant of power from the American Constitution, there was formed within the body of the United Nations, self-granted powers to form a one world government, with hundreds of subsidiary organizations, such as UNRRA, UNESCO, the International Labor Organization, the International Court, the International Economic Organization, the Atlantic Pact, the Atlantic Community, International Education Organization, International Child Welfare, the Human Rights Convention, the Genocide pact, and many others of a similar ilk.

While the Charter was brought into being by a treaty signed by the Presi-

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dent and the United States Senate, certainly it was never intended that these later powers should be spawned from the womb of the United Nations Charter, each of which by the terms of the treaty becomes the highest law in the land for this Country, and superseding the laws of the individual States.

The United Nations, I repeat, was bad enough, and illusory enough, but the later inclusion of the idea of a one-world government, *dominant over the Constitution, and the laws of every State in the Union*, and which is even now actively functioning, to our great detriment, is intolerable.

We shall never surrender the freedoms set up for us by the founding fathers to this alien monstrosity, this malignant being we are now sorry we ever gave the right to live and function in this free America. It is a Frankenstein which must be destroyed ere it destroys us ...

WE MUST NEVER SURRENDER OUR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT

Now, lest you should think some of my conclusions are far-fetched, let me quote some of the comparatively recent usurpations of our constitutional rights promulgated by the United Nations:

(1) While standing by the ticker tape in the cloak room of the House of Representatives, I saw spelled out the news item that the International ECA Committee of the United Nations had met that afternoon, and decreed an annual tax levy of \$19,000,000,000 upon the peoples of the United States, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, and of all peoples, Western Europe, who are at present the recipients of our national ECA.

Within a few days, the President sent to the House Appropriations Committee a request for \$7,500,000,000 for our international ECA fund, as our share of the \$19,000,000,000, allotted to us for this purpose, by order of the international ECA committee of the United Nations.

And this was done, in the face of an amendment placed in the measure appropriating funds for the continued existence of the United Nations, and passed by the House, placing a ceiling upon our contributions to this body to not over one-third of the amount paid by the other member nations.

And it is well to further remember that many of the member nations have not paid a single cent into the United Nations since they were admitted, while

our payments have run between 90 per cent and 51 per cent of the total. And our percentage has been paid.

Not only so, but we loaned, or perhaps one should say, gave them \$65,000,000 for the building of their new home. *So we now occupy the unique position of not only being destroyed by the United Nations, but paying them for the privilege of destroying us.*

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The House cut the seven and one-half billion to something over five and one-half billions, on which I voted "nay."

A few days later, the President wrote a stern letter to Congress, suggesting that if any of its Members felt that way about the foreign-aid bill, they should immediately submit a bill to get out of the United Nations, which I did, eight hours afterwards, as soon as the bill could be drawn.

In doing so, I remembered that the founders of this Country had fought the Revolutionary War on the principle that they could not, and would not submit to taxation without representation; and it seemed to me this was just that same old principle wherein we had merely exchanged masters.

UNITED NATIONS CAN SEND YOUR SON TO WAR

(2) The constitutional right of Con-

gress to declare war has been transferred to the Military Committee of the United Nations, both in foreign countries, as well as those comprised in the Atlantic Pact.

Articles 43 to 51 inclusive, leave little doubt that the United Nations now has the power to order us into war at any time, without the consent of Congress. What we have done in the acceptance of the United Nations is to take away from Congress the power to say when, where, and with whom, we may engage in war.

Moreover, our soldiers are to be denied the privilege of serving under their own glorious flag, the beautiful Stars and Stripes. They must serve under *the hated spider web banner* when going into battle, and its alien folds are to enshroud their coffin should they have the misfortune to be killed while serving under it. They must wear its emblem on their sleeves, and serve under its generals.

(3) The superseding of the dictates of the United Nations International Court over our Federal and State laws, as in the Fujii case in California.

(4) The International Labor Organization dictates much of our internal labor legislation. For instance, the Wagner Labor Relations Act was written by this body, and submitted to Congress without any alterations. The composition of this body at that time comprised about the same number of Communists or Leftists as does the general complexion of the United Nations.

(5) The International Child Labor and Child Welfare Committee, the International Health Organization, and socialized medicine are sponsored, and frequently dictated, by these committees of the United Nations, and are usually introduced into Congress later by leftists.

SUBVERSION IN OUR INSTITUTIONS

(6) The educational policies of the National Education Association follows the general line of those laid down by the International Education Committee of the United Nations. The scheme to pervert public education is exposed in a well documented report on UNESCO, copy of which will be mailed on request.

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point the fact that the situation is becoming serious.

(7) Religion even is not exempt, though Communism is known to be atheistical and opposed to all religion except the worship of totalitarian force. One of the high officers of a national religious organization has publicly stated that "The living of the Christian religion is not possible except in a Communist state." I may say parenthetically that I consider this the greatest example of fuzzy thinking I have ever observed. Many of the high officials of this man's Church belonged, or had belonged, to from three to forty-one subversive organizations.

(8) The Human Rights Convention of the United Nations takes away the vested right of every American citizen to acquire properly by lawful means and to remain secure in its ownership under American law. The recent Fujii case in California has proved that this right is now no longer secure; that the rights of citizens, States, and even the rights of the Federal Government may be contravened at the will of the International Court of the United Nations.

"GENOCIDE CONVENTION" CONTRAVENES AMERICAN LAWS

(9) The Genocide Convention dictates that not only must nations abstain from the wholesale destruction of other peoples, as occurred in some of the countries of Europe during the last war, and since the last war by Russia in the Baltic Provinces and the eastern states of Europe, but that also one cannot inflict mental harm to any other person, or any other national of other countries, or even hurt his feelings, without being liable to be called to account before the International Court of the United Nations, wherein he would be denied the rights which have always been accorded to him under American law, such as the right of trial by a jury of his peers, and the right to be tried in the court nearest to him.

Under this Convention, if he happened to call Stalin a murderer, even though Stalin might secretly feel complimented, he could be taken to Russia and tried under Russian law. Thus the Genocide Convention contravenes the entire framework of American jurisprudence.

(10) They have their own postal system, a most decided advantage to the free exchange of information between the Communists within our borders, and those in other countries bent upon our destruction.

(11) They have diplomatic immunity from arrest, and full diplomatic release from import or export duties. No American legal process can attack them.

(12) The seizure of nine cities in southern California by Military Reserve units, trained by the United States Army, and acting under the authority of the United Nations, with the immediate institution of martial law, accompanied with the declaration that all civil functions were hereby taken over by the military forces of the United Nations until further notice.

The statement was made that this action was taken for practice; and that it was planned to seize cities of the Atlantic States in the near future.

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Little did I think I should be here much later in life, seeking to defend Old Glory against its own citizens.

The imperial eagles of Rome, the lily banner of France, the composite Saint George's cross of Britain, the rattlesnake banner of the Thirteen Colonies, all have a connotation which has fired the imagination, and provoked the patriotic fervor of all who have looked upon these symbols as the outward manifestation of an inward and spiritual faith.

Fellow countrymen, this should not be my job at all. I am English by birth, but many of you present tonight were born in this Country. You, like Paul of Tarsus, in Biblical days, could stand before Lysias, the Roman captain, who had just told Paul that he had purchased Roman citizenship with a great price, and could answer by paraphras-

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"THOU SHALT NOT STEAL"

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THE CONSTITUTION of the United States has a Biblical basis. Its cornerstone is the Ten Commandments. The teachings of Christ comprise its fundamental principles.

There is a higher moral authority in the Constitution than meets the eye on the surface. The words of the document were put together under inspiration.

The text is animated by the same creative spirit that produced the Holy Scriptures. We are indebted to God's Word for its contents. This fact makes it binding on the conscience.

The Constitution became a necessity to make life safe in the new world, during the age of monarchs. It is no less necessary today, during the age of dictatorships.

As morals sag and the complexities of life increase, threats to freedom become more menacing. The present trend toward totalitarianism makes the document more precious and indispensable to Americans than ever before.

It stands as a bulwark against dictatorship. It is mankind's main source of hope for the preservation of human liberty. Those who live under its benign influence enjoy advantages known in no other part of the world. These blessings presuppose a willingness to defend the document with vigor and vigilance.

The moral law, immortalized in the Ten Commandments, runs like a golden thread through the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

European nations were ruled for centuries according to the pagan idea that no higher law existed than the decrees of despots. The Biblical principle of moral law, emanating from the Supreme Lawgiver as a pattern for human law-makers, was not known.

On the other hand, a study will show that the moral principles of the Decalogue are woven into the fabric of our fundamental law. The Constitution and the Bible have a common denominator in the fact of divine revelation.

Men may make mistakes, abuse authority, or otherwise tip the scales of justice, but this does not alter the perfection of the system. The Constitution guarantees a framework which offers the nearest approach to universal justice ever devised. It brings both the governed and those who govern under strict account to the Ten Commandments.

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ONE comparison will suffice.

The Sixth and Eighth Commandments read: "Thou shalt not kill" and "Thou shalt not steal."

The Fifth Amendment to the Constitution provides that "No person shall be ... deprived of life, liberty, or

property without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation."

The purpose of the "due process of law" clause is to permanently safeguard American life and property. Our basic law recognizes the divine principle that theft and murder are wrong. Even the government is prohibited from committing unlawful acts of this kind.

In the case of *Hurtado v. California*, the United States Supreme Court decided that the intent of the "due process" clause was "to protect the rights of individuals ... against the violence of public agents transcending the limits of lawful authority, even when acting in the name and wielding the force of the government."

This decision seems to have been written to forestall such actions as President Truman's seizure of the steel companies and subsequent boast that he could also take over the newspapers and radio stations.

It has been correctly pointed out that under the Constitution, an enactment of Congress or an edict of the Executive which violates God's moral law against theft and murder is not law, not legal and not valid.

Daniel Webster argued in his famous Dartmouth College case that "acts of confiscation," even though promoted by some branch of government "under the form of an enactment," are not and cannot be "the law of the land."

The Court sustained him by deciding that "acts of confiscation" and "special, partial, and arbitrary exertions of power under the forms of legislation" are "not due process of law."

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tecting the "public good," in the name of "social justice" or any other pretext, to confiscate wealth and assume control of private property. Such an act would be theft, a violation of the "due process" clause, and rejection of the Eighth Commandment.

Since the moral requirement, "Thou shalt not steal," places restraint upon selfishness and greed, it is not to be wondered that some have tried to circumvent this part of the Constitution. The "due process" clause is a deterrent to predatory interests which seek to prostitute the processes of government for the advantage of one class above another. It safeguards the property of every class — the farmer, the laborer, religious and benevolent institutions, large business, small business, all groups.

Our Courts are justified in giving this provision of the Constitution a broad application. "Thou shalt not steal" is all-embracing in scope.

The Commandment does not say, "Thou shalt not steal except to protect the public good." It does not say, "Thou shalt not steal except from weak and defenseless people." It does not say, "Thou shalt not steal except from large corporations." It does not say, "Thou shalt not steal except from foreign born persons."

It simply says, "Thou shalt not steal," period!

Mr. Truman showed by seizing the steel companies and threatening the newspapers and radio that he either lacked a knowledge of, or respect for the Constitution which he promised under oath to uphold. He demonstrated contempt for the Courts.

His illegal action brings to mind the Supreme Court's decision in the *Loan Association v. Topeka* case, which said in part: "To lay with one hand, the power of the government on the property of the citizen and with the other

to bestow it upon favored individuals ... is none the less than robbery."

According to this decision, Mr. Truman committed "robbery" when he seized the steel companies on April 8, 1952, in order to pay a political debt to "favored individuals" of the C.I.O.

The following brazen statement by Ellis Arnall, the extreme leftist chairman of the Wage Stabilization Board, will be disconcerting to loyal Americans who respect God's moral law and love the Constitution of the United States: "The steel situation is the stuff on which political campaigns are won and lost."

In other words, according to New Deal philosophy, the law can be flagrantly violated in the interest of political expediency. Chaos and anarchy waits at the end of *that road*. Conspirators are planning it that way.

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MR. TRUMAN's abuse of power has served to underscore in the public mind the fact that a complete renovation of the Executive branch of the Government is needed. Those responsible for the demoralization of our Country must be replaced by men of honest motives who are willing to put patriotism above politics and service above selfishness. Awaken Christian patriots, protect your Country!

The Capitol Building at Washington with its lofty dome, supported by onyx pillars and walls of polished marble is a beautiful structure.

But what sustains this beauty? Down beneath the superstructure lies strong, broad foundation stones, without which the beauty could not exist. In like manner there is need for strong national character — a keen sense of right and wrong on the part of the American people, with a will to do the right. There is need for solid, bedrock character, beneath the superstructure of our national Government to make secure its strength and security.

In the last analysis the existence of representative government, in which the

people rule themselves through leaders of their own choosing — the security of representative government depends upon the right purpose, the personal character, the God-consciousness of the individual citizen. A spiritually enlightened electorate will develop honest leadership. Today our Country needs a moral and spiritual rebirth, a vitalized conscience.

History is trying to teach us a lesson from the past. It is this: Character consists not of material resources. Character is something which God alone can build in people who choose to walk in paths of righteousness.

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Without re-election to worry about, Harry Truman intends to show the world and Americans "Who I am!" He wishes to go into history as the Strong Man Nobody Knew until the very end of his term.

The President declared a condition of "Partial Emergency" in 1950 to meet the "Cold War." Following the Korean outbreak he declined to issue a declaration of Complete National Emergency, saying it was unnecessary. He claimed emergency powers under the old war declarations against Germany and Japan. Since that time, an act of Congress has declared the state of war with Germany ended, and the Japanese Peace Treaty does the same in Japan's case.

The President now claims dictatorial powers, not on the basis of specially declared emergencies, not provided for by Act of Congress, but as inherent. When Franklin Roosevelt wanted to exercise special power he asked his Attorney-General for a decision. The present acting head of the Department of Justice, Philip Perlman, told Truman he could find no precedent nor Constitutional authority.

Truman went ahead. The fires in the steel mills were banked. If the scare of Russia, on which his whole economy and foreign acts and spending are built is real, the nation must have steel to face foreign danger. Having let matters come to this pass, he owed it to himself to act.

He could have applied the Taft-Hartley Act and asked Congress during the waiting period for powers. The difference in Harry Truman's thinking now, and when he did resentfully apply the Taft-Hartley Act against John L. Lewis and coal miners, is something we should

notice, since it has brought a Constitutional crisis, and threatens a complete break between President and Congress before the end of the session.

Truman assumed power and passed it to Sawyer, "to fix wages and working conditions," "to make changes in the industry's way of doing business" and "to control the application of capital, payment of obligations and issuance of dividends!"

Thus, through assumption of power by the executive, without law, without provision for compensation to private owners, Truman wanted to nationalize one of the Country's great industries — a foundation industry on which rests our present preeminence in world strength.

Socialism in the United States seems to be leaping past the slower-going British Fabian Socialism. The Attlee Government nationalized British Steel and Iron industry. Churchill has pledged to denationalize it if a way can be found to return it to private ownership and operation.

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voters. I met it among our "intellectual class" at State College, Pennsylvania, recently.

Dr. Milton Eisenhower, nine years younger than his well known brother, long time in United Nations work and the Department of Agriculture, is President of the College. He is a man of charm and intelligence, and forestalled an effort of the Intolerance Racket to prevent me from filling a lecture date on the Campus. (Old stuff: Jewish students editing the College newspaper said that "speaker is anti-semitic.")

Dr. Milton Eisenhower told me of the early family life of the five sons, in a home where each had to do his part. Mother Eisenhower was an ardent pacifist but did not stand in the way of Dwight's appointment to West Point. Father and Mother Eisenhower required that every member of the family do his share of the work, putting duty before pleasure.

I was shocked to have some of his 11,000 students ask me if Whittaker Chambers was not lying rather than Hiss — and who could tell if Hiss was guilty? (At this date!)

Almost the entire teacher and student body were still in the Yalta and Lend-lease age of Hopkins, Byrnes, Harriman and Acheson so far as any concept of Communism and its conspiracy is concerned. They believed implicitly in the success of internationalism as being promoted, and were astounded that anyone should doubt it.

This is typical of the great majority of campuses in the United States! If our Country is to be saved, it will not be by our intellectuals!

Also, we must listen to the farmers of Lancashire County because they represent another group of voters. One told me he was for "Kehauser." A farm woman thought Taft too "radical" — she was for Ike. Another said: "Eisenhower knows this country pretty good." Still another thought she should vote for the General because her son is in service.

The standard of thinking needs to be lifted and something will have to be done to help people get things straight in their thinking — if the rascals are to be voted out in this year's elections.

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MR. TRUMAN'S WAR

REPRESENTATIVE Frederic R. Coudert has introduced a resolution in the House of Representatives to reassert the constitutional right of Congress to declare war.

He charges that Mr. Truman "deliberately ignored this right when he threw United States forces into the bloody police-action war in Korea."

"I am insisting," continues the Congressman from New York State, "that a weak and bewildered President must not be allowed, without Congressional action, to make war anywhere in the world in his own uncontrolled discretion, as he did in Korea with such shocking cost in blood and treasure."

"Let the American people, through their elected representatives in the Congress and by proper constitutional processes, have an opportunity to express themselves and decide whether or not they are to make war."

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THE SECURITY COUNCIL of the United Nations convened July 25, 1950, immediately following the attack of the Communist armies of North Korea on the Republic to the South.

A resolution was adopted condemning the action as "a breach of the peace," calling for "immediate cessation of hostilities," asking members of the United Nations "to refrain from giving assistance to the North Korean authorities."

It will be noted that nothing was said about military action or a declaration of war.

The President was away from Washington at the time. He returned at 7 p.m. of the day the resolution was adopted. The Secretaries of State and Defense, certain advisers, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff were summoned to dinner at the Blair House.

Before the meeting broke up, Mr. Truman flashed word to General Douglas MacArthur to prepare for action.

On June 27, 1950, the Security Council adopted another resolution, sponsored by the United States, supporting the President's action. This was followed by a third which recommended

that members provide military assistance against the North Korean invaders. Operations were to be conducted under the United Nations flag.

Thus it will be seen that American participation actually originated with the President rather than the United Nations.

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LOUIS A. JOHNSON, who was then Secretary of Defense, later described Secretary of State Dean Acheson as an enthusiast for armed intervention against the Communists.

Testifying before a Senate committee June 14, 1951, Johnson stated that Acheson made the formal resolution at the Blair House meeting, which sealed our Country's participation in the struggle. This was so out of harmony with his friendly attitude toward Communism, as to appear puzzling at first glance.

He had ordered the withdrawal of our armed forces from South Korea in 1948, despite the fact that the Korean National Assembly pleaded for them to remain. Owen Lattimore sent a secret memorandum to the State Department at approximately the same time, suggesting that South Korea be allowed "to fall without making it look as if the United States had pushed it." Acheson's policies paralleled this suggestion.

Congress appropriated 150 million dollars in 1949 for economic and military aid to Korea. The State Depart-

ment blocked its use. On January 5, 1950, when Great Britain extended recognition to Red China, Mr. Truman stated: "The United States government will not provide military aid or advice to Chinese on Formosa."

The National Press Club at Washington was used by Acheson as a sounding board June 12, 1950, for giving the Reds of North Korea an all-clear signal to attack. He said: "Our defensive perimeter runs along the Aleutians to Japan and then goes to the Ryukyus."

This meant that South Korea and Formosa were being abandoned. Moscow would be free to strike.

Dean Acheson was first placed on Stalin's payroll as legal counsel for Soviet Russia in 1933. Alger Hiss, his closest associate in government service, has been convicted as a Communist spy-perjurer. Acheson said after the trial: "I will not turn my back on Alger Hiss."

He has never been asked under oath if he is, or ever was, a member of the Communist Party. Such a question seems particularly important in view of his close association with Felix Frankfurter, the big brain of the red movement in the United States.

This is the man who, on the night of June 25, 1950, at the meeting in the Blair House, demanded that we go to war with the Red armies of North Korea.

How can this paradoxical attitude be explained?

He knew, of course, that the forces available to General MacArthur were hopelessly outnumbered. Defeat appeared certain under this seemingly unsurmountable handicap. Such a hu-

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miliating experience could be expected to bring the General's military career to an end. It would also remove the principal source of opposition to Communism in the Orient.

If these considerations motivated Acheson's strange decision, he underrated General MacArthur's military genius.

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THE ARMED FORCES of the United States were committed to military action in Korea by Presidential fiat. Congress was not consulted. All decisions were made by the Executive Department of the Government.

The President called in certain members of Congress on the morning of June 27, 1950, but only to tell them what he had already done. Their advice was not sought regarding the course of action formulated.

Full responsibility for our entrance into the struggle rests with Mr. Truman and Dean Acheson. Congress was circumvented by an unlawful act, for which the President could be impeached and the Secretary of State removed from office.

In 1945 when the United Nations Charter was before Congress, certain Senators expressed fear that membership might mean future involvement in war without Congressional approval. John Foster Dulles, one of the architects of the new organization, was questioned along this line when he appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He gave the following assurances during the course of his testimony:

"Under our Constitution, the Presi-

dent, and the President alone, directs the current conduct of foreign affairs. But there can be no declaration of war except by the Congress. That is our internal procedure; and all the world knows that fact."

Various Senators, including Senator Eugene D. Millikin of Colorado, still had misgivings. This resulted in the following colloquy:

"If I understood you correctly, Mr. Dulles, I thought you said that the Senate will have an opportunity to ratify the special agreement having to do with our contribution of force and material.

"Mr. Dulles. Yes, sir.

"Senator Millikin. Is that your opinion?

"Mr. Dulles. That is not only my opinion but it is expressly in the Charter that the agreements are subject to ratification by the states in accordance with their constitutional processes.

"Senator Millikin. Then it is your opinion that to comply with our constitutional processes that separate agreement would have to come to the Senate for ratification?

"Mr. Dulles. It is, and that was the view of the American delegation. I think there is no doubt whatever about that.

"Senator Millikin. Is there any doubt about that, Mr. Dulles?

"Mr. Dulles. No.

"Senator Millikin. And no disagreement of opinion on that?

"Mr. Dulles. No."

Mr. Truman took note of the disension in Congress over this point and added his assurances to those given by other architects of the United Nations. A letter from him to this effect was read before the Senate on July 28, 1945,

which contained the following paragraph:

"When any such agreement or agreements (relating to possible declaration of war) are negotiated, it will be my purpose to ask the Congress by appropriate legislation to approve them."

The methods used for throwing our boys into the Korean holocaust was a barefaced violation of this promise. He ignored the Congress and in doing so, violated the Constitution and broke his word.

Our Government became officially associated with the United Nations on October 24, 1945.

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THE PRESIDENT and his dangerous advisers first called the war a "police action" to deceive and soften public opinion. But Acheson later admitted that it was a war in fact. The admission came during his appearance before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, June 7, 1951. The following questions and answers were recorded:

"Senator Byrd. Do you regard the conflict in Korea as a police action?

"Secretary Acheson. I regard it as a military action to repulse the attack made against the Republic of Korea.

"Senator Byrd. When does a military action or police action cease to be such and become a war?

"Secretary Acheson. Well, I think in the ordinary popular sense it is a war if you have fighting in military formations.

"Senator Byrd. You recognize it as a war now?

"Secretary Acheson. Yes, sir; in the usual sense of the word there is a war."

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Mothers, fathers, wives, sweethearts and fatherless children have made the same discovery. Casualty lists, which have now reached 242,000, also suggest this to be the case.

Mrs. Edith Rosengrant, a widowed mother of six children residing in Springfield, Colorado, understands the full meaning of Acheson's admission. She mailed her dead son's Purple Heart and scroll to Mr. Truman, with the following stinging letter dated January 30, 1952:

"Soldiers need help when they are fighting, not medals and scrolls after they are dead. I am sending back to you my boy's medal and scroll as not being fit from you.

"You said my boy died for freedom. My boy did fight for freedom. My boy also fought for you and your man Acheson and you were afraid of the Russians and would not help him fight.

"My boy was not afraid. Mothers and fathers in America are not afraid. Our boys should not have to fight under a chief commander who is afraid.

"I think you are so stubborn that you would rather have thousands of American boys killed than admit Harry S. Truman could be wrong. Or having no boy of your own, don't you care?"

Millions will applaud the following indictment by Senator Styles Bridges, leveled at those responsible for the struggle in Korea:

"The inept diplomacy of this Administration got us into the war. As it is being conducted, it is the most hopeless conflict in American history.

"For our boys on the battlefield it must be discouraging, because they are fighting a barbarous enemy with one hand, while their other hand is tied by the restraints imposed by the Truman-Acheson administration.

"The wise counsel of General Douglas MacArthur has been ignored by the Truman-Acheson Administration. Each day that goes by, proves him more correct.

"There can be no peace with justice as long as the present policy prevails and for this the Administration must answer to saddened wives, mothers and

families of the young men sent to Korea."

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NO MATTER that Acheson's Communist-coddling policies had made the war inevitable, General MacArthur was faced with a factual situation and accepted his assignment like a good soldier. He had nothing to do with prior decisions.

The beginning of the conflict found him unprepared because State Department Reds had consistently overruled his decisions, ignored his advice and tied his hands. His first contact with the Korean situation came when the conflict was dumped in his lap.

Mr. Truman sent a long-time friend, Major General Frank E. Lowe, as personal observer to General MacArthur's headquarters in August, 1950. His mission was to report directly to the President. He stayed with the General throughout the campaign and after returning home, said in a newspaper interview, on January 25, 1952:

"I think General MacArthur is the greatest general — strategically and tactically — this world has ever known. It takes 50 years to write history. You and I will not live to read the final verdict, but I'll bet that history 50 years from now will so record. Our people have never gotten so much for so little. In my opinion, his Korean campaign was a masterpiece of strategy and tactics."

Addressing an audience in Palm Beach, Florida, January 30, 1952, H. V. Kaltenborn reviewed some of his experiences on a recent trip to the Orient. His hearers were shocked to hear him say:

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"General Ridgway told me in answer to my query as to why we can't win that he was under orders not to win, but to fight a war of containment ... We've got a line and are strong enough to hold it, but it's a question of how long we're going to tie down our Air Force, our Army, our resources in a war that may never end. We've made concession after concession in trying to get a truce, but barring complete surrender, we'll never get one on honorable terms."

An outburst of applause greeted his statement: "General MacArthur could have won it. There's not a military man in Korea who doesn't stand up for MacArthur's views."

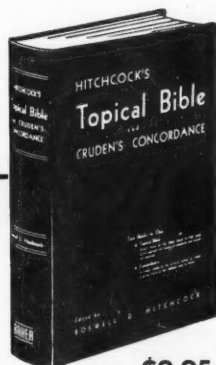
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A dead fish can float down stream, but it takes a live one to swim upstream.

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There are approximately two million Dominicans. Eighty-five per cent of the people live in rural areas, under backward conditions, which create a demand and challenge for Christian missionary work. Spanish is the native and official language.

The highest mountains in the West Indies, and some of the most striking

scenery on the face of the earth, will be found there. Gazing upon one of its valleys, Columbus exclaimed: "It is the most beautiful thing that human eyes have ever seen."

When the Santa Maria went aground on December 24, 1492, he ordered a fort built from the hull. Thirty-nine soldiers were put in charge and he returned home to report the discoveries. Indians killed the garrison and burned the fort in his absence. Columbus brought 17 ships and 1500 men on the second trip.

Santo Domingo, the oldest city in the new world, is believed to have been founded August 4, 1496, by one of the Admiral's brothers. At no other place in the Western Hemisphere can the atmosphere of early Spanish days be so well reconstructed.

The modern name of Santo Domingo is Ciudad Trujillo (Trujillo City). Out of a population of 150,000 it is estimated that there are no more than 2,000 actually *born-again believers*.

Evangelical missions have always had an uphill task in this part of the world. Only a few congregations have been established in the larger communities. The suffering masses in the interior are sadly neglected. Yet the people respond when the message of salvation is presented.

The missionary program of the Defenders' organization in the Dominican Republic, is the outgrowth of a large and fruitful work, in neighboring Puerto Rico. The language, customs, needs and problems of the people are similar.

REV. A. A. SMESTER, shown seated on the bicycle, is Superintendent of Defender missionary work in the Dominican Republic. His duties include pastoring a congregation in Ciudad Trujillo and regular visits to Gospel outposts in the interior. He is a loyal servant of Christ, a competent Bible teacher, Evangelist and beautiful singer.

For years Mr. Smester had to travel great distances on foot, week after week, to visit interior worship-centers. Finally, some months ago, he requested a bicycle.

One, of the sturdy type, was purchased in Wichita and shipped to him. It is now in use, as indicated by the accompanying picture. Mr. Smester is traveling greater distances, reaching more people with the salvation message and enduring less fatigue than in the past.

He said in a recent letter: "Looking back, I don't see how I ever got along without a bicycle. Please thank the friends whose gifts helped 'put wheels under the Gospel,' here in my Country."

"It often happens, I suppose, that things regarded as small to you in the United States, loom large and mean much on foreign mission fields. The bicycle was dedicated to the Lord's service the day of its arrival. I am finding it to be a wonderful 'companion and helper.'"

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CIUDAD TRUJILLO has seven historically-famous buildings, erected before the year 1550. The most outstanding one of the group is the first Cathedral built in the new world.

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All the gold, silver and priceless gems of the entire Cathedral collection, do not equal the value of one precious Dominican soul for whom Christ died. Authority for this comparison of material wealth, with the worth of an eternity-bound soul, is Matthew 16:26:

"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"



Miracles In India

DR. JASWANT NELSON, whose picture appears above, is Superintendent of Defender missionary work in India. His ancestors were Hindus. But one day, consecrated missionaries entered the life of his grandfather and the entire course of the family clan was changed. "For this," says Dr. Nelson, "I shall be eternally thankful."

His grandfather, a greatly respected man, accepted Christ as Saviour in the year 1858. Being the leading person-

ality of his community, the entire village of 450 souls followed him.

The original family name was Subha Dass which meant, "shining for Hinduism." After conversion, he chose the name Nelson . . . because in those days, it was a custom for Indian Christians to take new names at the time of conversion. This was done to indicate a complete change in the nature of the individual, and to distinguish believers from non-Christian families.

Grandfather Nelson had four sons, including Joseph D. Nelson, Jaswant's father. Joseph was a mighty preacher of the Gospel and traveled throughout North India, winning souls and organizing Churches.

He baptized 350 converts in one day, in the Ganges river, at a place called Chunar. At the time of his death, he was Pastor of the Central Methodist Church of Calcutta. He left one daughter and six sons, of whom Jaswant is the eldest.

As director of the Defender missionary task in India, Pastor of the organization's Church in Delhi, and a leader in several other departments of Christian work, Dr. Nelson is occupied with broad lines of Christian service.

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Eudocio Ravines, a native of Peru, was trained in the same Moscow schools that Mao Tse-tung, Clement Gottwald and other Comintern agents attended. During the Spanish Civil War, he was assigned to Madrid, and became associated with the program of Marcel Rosenberg, the Soviet ambassador to Spain.

There was a time when Stalin relied upon Ravines to ignite the flame that would sweep all South America with a red conflagration. He successfully organized the "Popular Front" in Chile.

It was not until after an extended visit to Moscow that he became disillusioned with the Communist conspiracy and began exposing its innermost secrets — culminating with this book, which tears the red mechanism to pieces, exposing its deepest and most sinister operations to plain view.

He writes with passion, but on a level that reflects coolness of thought and a quiet spirit. There are no wild, hysterical exaggerations in these pages. Readers may expect to keep their composure, but as the story sinks into their minds, they will feel themselves being deeply moved. *The effect is like an ocean movement at tremendous depths, rather than the surface manifestation of swishing waves.*

Ravines devotes very little time to excusing his activities as an international

spy-conspirator. He is sorry, that's all their is to it . . . and he at once gets down to the business of bringing to light hidden facts never before published!

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Chapter five finds the Author in Moscow, nervous over the fact that he has been chosen as a member of a group of top-level leaders, from various parts of the world, to be received by Stalin.

"After breakfast we left for the Kremlin. The car went down to the Moskva to get to the other side of the brick walls. Under the arch we were detained by Red Army soldiers who ex-

amined our papers, looked at each of us and asked if any of us bore arms. After a brief consultation we were permitted to pass.

"The car went up a slope and crossed a wide courtyard where we were detained again, this time by officials of the uniformed state police. After the examination of our papers we had to abandon the car and go on foot behind a guide."

A vivid description of life inside Kremlin walls follows and the story continues . . .

"Stalin is not a tall man. Indeed, I was struck by the difference between the living man and the many statues and portraits that form the iconography of modern Russia.

"His face is pale, yellowish and pock-marked. He has a very large belly which seems to annoy him, since his effort to hide it under the folds of the wide *rubashka* was obvious. When he laughs his sardonic laughter, he shows two rows of pointed teeth, with evidence of caries. His hair and moustache are grey and bushy and he has many fine lines from the eyes to the temples. He stood throughout the interview, on legs that seemed to me too short for his trunk.

"His glance was astute rather than intelligent. Mistrust and suspicion showed in it more than sharpness and perspicacity. He forced himself visibly to appear kind and condescending, but from his general appearance, as from his gestures and inflections, I sensed that his affability did not flow spontaneously but arose as if for the occasion.

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ed special cordiality for Barbusse (of France) as well as for Mao (of China). Barbusse seemed a bit tired. Mao was hard-faced, deliberately severe and, at the same time, obsequious to the point of devotion. When Stalin said something, Mao nodded insistently, and once or twice when Stalin said that a question someone asked had already been answered, Mao adopted an attitude of reproof and displeasure.

"One of the translators asked the first question, on the subject of racial discrimination.

"All racist ideas of discrimination or racial segregation,' Stalin said, 'are the product of chauvinistic hatred but they can be very powerful.' Without actually mentioning the name, he referred to the United States, and exalted the great fraternity that existed among races in the Soviet Union.

"He told how in the factories, the unions and the workers' clubs anyone who used a racial insult like 'jew,' was severely and publicly reprimanded. He spoke with emphasis, taking his pipe out of his mouth, especially when he used the words, like *first, second, third, fourth*, which he did often to divide the periods of his expositions."

The interview continued at length, with Stalin showing complete knowledge of how Communist Parties were operating and progressing, in every part of the world ...

"I tried not to confess it to myself; I avoided contrasting the memory with the previously imagined truth; but there was no doubt that the interview and the man had disappointed me. Stalin was far from being the superior archetype that I had dreamed; he seemed to me heavy, cold, contemptuous, suspicious."

As the days came and went during his stay in Moscow, Ravines formed a close acquaintance with Mao Tse-tung and the revolutionary program mapped for the Orient, especially China. It is from this chain of facts that the book gets its title — *The Yen-an Way*.

One writer says: "I could sleep nights, only with the greatest difficulty, while reading *The Yen-an Way*. Frankly, I became frightened as I learned how far the plot to blackout civilization is advanced. The knowledge that I gained is of priceless value to me. Ravines' book left an impression upon my mind that will stay with me the balance of my life."

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LESSON NUMBER ONE

May 18, 1952

CHRISTIAN FAMILY LIFE

Ex. 20:12; Mark 7:9-13;
Luke 2:41-52; John 19:25-27

MEMORY TEXT: "Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right." Ephesians 6:1.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "PARENTS."

The portion of today's lesson lifted from Mark, records a heated argument between Christ and certain Jewish leaders over the Talmud. He accused them of giving the accumulated writings of the rabbis a place of preferment above the Old Testament Scriptures.

"Ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own *tradition* ... Making the word of God of none effect through your *tradition*."

The argument centered around the relation of children to parents. Moses was explicit. There could be no question as to what he meant. "Honour thy father and thy mother." The language was simple.

But the rabbis had added a provision and given an interpretation that took away the real meaning. If a child above a certain age found it inconvenient to obey parental instruction, he could simply say "It is Corban," and be relieved of moral responsibility.

This rather ambiguous phrase requires explanation: The word "Corban," associated with the selfish, scheming priesthood, referred to a room in the temple where the contribution boxes stood. Thus a child was given permission to defy his parents, provided he went the Corban route of dropping specified coins into the money box.

Jesus condemned this practice, knowing that it destroyed both the letter and intent of the Mosaic commandment.

Christianity has always been a religion for the home. Its emphasis upon moral values creates a climate for nor-

mal family relationships. Children born into Christian homes have advantages above those entering worldly surroundings.

The new born babe is an heir to a heritage, good or bad. He inherits his body under the law of heredity. He inherits a period of parental influence when impressions are made to last all through life.

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(2) THE KEY VERSE IS JOHN 19:26.

"When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son!"

There were four women at the Cross — a devoted mother, an unnamed aunt, the wife of a faithful disciple and a woman whom the Saviour had redeemed from a life of sin.

Jesus was careful and considerate for the welfare of His mother to the very end. In the agonies of death, He thought of her. It is significant that the Lord of glory should have left with us this beautiful example of family affection.

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Jesus knew that Mary would be in better keeping with the trustworthy disciple, than her own kin. She would be associated with the band of believers at Jerusalem. We find her there later.

The word "mother," used when placing her under John's care, was applied in a spiritual sense. She was, in reality, his mother's sister, an aunt.

"From that hour that disciple took her unto his own home." The arrangement was ideal because John's father, Zebedee, and his mother, Salome, were both alive.

(3) THE KEY FACT: RESPECT FOR PARENTS SUGGESTS RECIPROCITY.

The command, "Honour thy father and mother," is reflexive. Kindness is not likely to be one-sided. Parents, properly honored and respected, will themselves be more honorable than would otherwise be the case.

While the Fifth Commandment instructs the child to "Honor," the word reacts and says to fathers and mothers, "Be honorable." When parental goodness is genuine, unaffected, flowing from a sincere heart, it will be natural for children to be reverent and respectful.

Higley's Commentary quotes Dwight L. Moody as once saying in a sermon:

"When I hear a young man speaking contemptuously of his grey-haired father or mother, I say he has sunk very low indeed. If there is any man or woman on earth that ought to be treated kindly and tenderly, it is that loving father or that loving mother. Think how they loved you and provided for you in your early days.

"Let your mind go back to the time when you were ill. Did your mother neglect you? She would gladly have taken the disease into her own body to save you. Her love for you would induce her to make any sacrifice. No matter to what depths of vice and misery you have sunk; no matter how prodigate you have grown — she has not turned you out of her heart. She would draw you back in the bands of love that never dies."

Mr. Moody was speaking of good mothers and good fathers — parents who realize their responsibility and will not permit daily cares or social affairs to interfere with the morale of their homes. Children blessed with such an environment are most fortunate.

LESSON NUMBER TWO

May 25, 1952

HUMAN LIFE IS PRECIOUS

Ex. 20:13; Matt. 5:21-26; 18:1-14;
Luke 12:4-7

MEMORY TEXT: "Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill." Matthew 5:21.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "KILL."

We come now to the sixth Commandment which emphasizes the sacredness of human life. The orderly arrangement of the Decalogue is impressive.

The first four Commandments deal with man's relationship to God. After that, the fifth deals with the relationship of children to parents. The last five have to do with one's relationship to his fellow man. Taken as a whole, the ten derive their strength from sources above human levels, because they were supernaturally revealed. The foundation of the moral law is God's character.

They start by adjusting man's attitude toward Godward. Then provision is made for the security of the home, as a medium through which knowledge of God can be communicated from the passing generation to the rising generation. Thereafter the individual is properly equipped as a dependable unit in society.

A continuity also runs through the last five. The sixth is a safeguard to life. The seventh is a safeguard to morals. The eighth is a safeguard to property. The ninth is a safeguard to reputation. The last is a safeguard to possessions.

"Thou shalt not kill." This Commandment, like others, is stated negatively. It could not be otherwise with a race steeped in sin, because murder, vice and crime exists. These evils must be restrained by the operation of God's moral law.

But in this instance, the positive underlies the negative. Charles G. Finney expressed the positive form of this command as follows: "Thou shalt be concerned in maintaining the life and health of all living beings."

Jesus placed a high estimate upon human beings. He even warned against offending small children. The word "offend," as used here, means to cause

one to stumble and fall. Human life is to be developed to its highest possible level, not inhibited, stunted and destroyed. "Ye are of more value than many sparrows."

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS MATTHEW 5:22.

"But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother . . ."

In other words a man does not have to commit murder to be a murderer. He only needs to harbor hatred in his heart. A man does not have to steal to be a thief. He only needs to harbor the desire in his heart.

Religion, said the Christ, is something of the heart. Motives count most. At the time when our Lord introduced this philosophy, religion consisted chiefly of external ordinances and formal practices — fasts, feasts, removing sandals, washings, etc.

Jesus faced the task of showing people, encased in materialistic concepts, the necessity of translating their religious beliefs into heart purity and personal character. He knew that the ritualism of Jewry could not produce standards of holy living. Hearts needed to be changed.

This fact provided motivation for His words: "The Son of man is come to save that which was lost." Human lives had to be rebuilt, made over, reconstructed, fashioned according to a divine pattern. The transaction involved a change in the inner man.

The way to keep men from committing crime, is to take crime out of their hearts!

(3) THE KEY FACT: PROHIBITIONS ARE NECESSARY.

The Decalogue is a series of prohibitions. The negative form results from the shocking depravity of fallen mankind. A prohibition presupposes a disposition to do the thing prohibited.

If men were not inclined to worship something other than God, the first Commandment would not be needed. If there was no murder in men's hearts, the sixth would not be required. And so of all laws. Paul says: "The law was added because of transgressions."

The law is put in the negative form for another reason — namely, it can only restrain the act. It cannot implant the positive virtue. It cannot transform the sinful heart. Hence the need of divine grace to make the law effective.

LESSON NUMBER THREE

June 1, 1952

CHRISTIAN MORALITY

Ex. 20:14; Matt. 5:27-32;
Mark 10:2-12

MEMORY TEXT: "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man." Matthew 15:19-20.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "CREATION."

We come now to the seventh Commandment, "Thou shalt not commit adultery."

As in the sixth, where our Lord first quotes its text, and then gives an exposition . . . in like manner He quotes the seventh, and proceeds at once to explain its inner meaning.

All forms of adultery — incest, sodomy, bestiality, prostitution, cohabitation of unmarried persons with others, were punishable by severe measures in the Mosaic economy.

Far from abrogating the Law, Jesus championed it. He not only condemned immorality, but dealt with the cause. The New Testament excludes adulterers and fornicators from the kingdom of heaven.

Restrictions against adultery originate with the facts of creation. Jesus went back to Eden for support of His teaching on personal purity — showing it to be a requirement of nature. "But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female."

Human beings were created according to a pattern that made family life a necessity. The propagation of the race was predicated upon mutual love which brings man and woman together in a union.

Anything that mitigates against this normal relationship invites the curse of the Creator. "What therefore God hath joined together, let no man put asunder." Adultery, being the enemy of normal wedlock, is condemned.

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(2) THE KEY VERSE IS MATTHEW 5:28.

"Whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery ... in his heart."

Jesus exposed the seat of rebellion against the seventh Commandment to be the unregenerate human heart. He was primarily concerned with the source of the sin.

A dirty conversation reflects a dirty heart. Filthy desires reflect a filthy heart. Drastic methods are outlined in today's lesson for correcting these conditions.

"If thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out ... If thine right hand offend thee, cut it off." Thus the Lord uses language which forbids compromise with personal sin. It suggests an indignant promptitude, heedless of the cost necessary for breaking sinful fetters.

Of course, it is not the offending organ that is to be destroyed ... but rather *the real offending eye and hand*, of the mind and heart, responsible for the unholy actions.

(3) THE KEY FACT: CHRISTIANS STRIVE TO LIVE CLEAN LIVES.

Only born-again believers are, in the truest sense, Christians. Profession is one thing. Possession is something quite different. It is one thing to *profess* Christ. It is another thing to *possess* Christ.

The conscience of the twice-born child of God is made doubly active by the presence of the Holy Spirit. This makes him sensitive to the least infraction of Biblical rules. It therefore becomes natural for him to devel-

op clean habits, exercise commendable restraints and live an exemplary life before his friends and associates.

LESSON NUMBER FOUR

June 8, 1952

PERSONAL POSSESSIONS

Exodus 20:15; Luke 16:1-13

MEMORY TEXT: "Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother." Mark 10:19.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "GOODS."

Property rights are approved throughout the Scriptures. The Constitution of the United States contains the same provision. This makes the American system unlike Socialism, Communism and Anarchy.

Abraham Lincoln stated the proper attitude toward personal property rights when he said:

"Property is the fruit of labor. Property is desirable; it is a positive good in the world. That some should be rich shows that others may become rich and hence it is a just encouragement to enterprise. Let not him that is houseless pull down the house of another, but let him work diligently and build one for himself; thus by example assuring that his own shall be safe from violence when built."

Harry F. Atwood, noted authority on the Constitution, once wrote:

"The men who wrote the Constitution and founded this Republic established individual property rights more securely, and fixed the title to property more absolutely, than it had been done at any previous time. They strove to avoid the extremes of feudalism on the one hand, and all forms of Socialism or Communism on the other; and they sought also to avoid the dangers of government ownership, in so far as it was consistent with the public welfare.

"The farsighted wisdom and sound reasoning of those men seems almost miraculous as we contemplate the difficulties that have arisen regarding property rights throughout all civilization."

The parable which forms the basis of today's lesson takes for granted the validity of personal property, described as "goods."

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS LUKE 16:2.

"And he called him, and said unto him ... give an account of thy stewardship."

This parable is one of the most difficult passages of the entire Bible to interpret. It should be borne in mind

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that everything recorded is not necessarily approved. The point of emphasis is *wise stewardship* in the affairs of the kingdom. We are not expected, however, to be like the steward of the story in all respects.

One thing for which he can be commended is foresight, a virtue often lacking among Christian workers. We carefully plan our business affairs but frequently conduct the work of the Lord in hit-and-miss style.

Finally the steward was called to give an accounting. Every professed follower of Christ may eventually expect a similar call. "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ."

When exposed, he could only say, "I am ashamed." Facing loss of position, humiliation and starvation, he gave substantial discounts to those in debt to his master, knowing this would win friendship and give him access to their homes for food and shelter.

The steward knew he would soon lose his home. He wanted some place to go. Every believer will some day have to give up his earthly abode. We should prepare for our future dwelling place. See John 14:1-3.

The master could not help admiring the steward for making the best of a bad situation. "Though he (the landlord) had been the victim of fraud, and saw no way of redress, yet he commended the acuteness of the trick," says Weldon.

(3) THE KEY FACT: WISE STEWARDSHIP PAYS ETERNAL DIVIDENDS.

"And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations."

Use material possessions in such a way, and so put money to work, that results will be produced for eternity. The word "fail" in the original text, means to "depart or leave off." Mammon refers to money, and while generally associated with evil, can be made to serve a good purpose if properly invested.

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Consider the beneficence of the seasons. We know, of course, that the earth is tilted 23½ degrees on its axis, but what remarkable results come from this tilt.

Instead of having the monotony of every day just the same and all parts of the world exactly alike as far as temperature is concerned, we have the delightful and exhilarating variation of spring and summer, autumn and winter.

Or consider how God planned the days and the nights. You see, there is co-ordination in this planning for man's body needs, a certain amount of rest and during the hours of night there is restoration of strength and recuperation of ability. So, in order that man should have this needed rest, God divided the day from the night.

During the daytime there is the huge brilliance of the sun in sky which sheds abundant light the world around for work and activity. But at night time, this light is removed and in its place there is the soft and soothing illumination of the moon, which is conducive to rest and sleep. Don't you see clearly that God plans everything?

Notice further the beautiful harmony of the earth's atmosphere and man's lungs. Every school boy knows that our atmosphere is composed of 80 per cent nitrogen, and inert gas. The other 20 per cent is oxygen, a very necessary and highly volatile gas. But this combination is exactly right for our lungs.

Were we to have more oxygen as a steady diet, we would be too active and soon burnt out, and our lives, instead

of being lived their normal span, would be swiftly terminated. Or were we to have less oxygen, we would drag around in a half-dead state day by day with insufficient energy to perform our daily tasks.

It would truly be doubly funny if our atmosphere were of two parts nitrogen to one part oxygen for that is what the dentist uses as "laughing gas." Or it would be tragic if our atmosphere were balanced with half nitrogen and half oxygen for this would be nitric oxide and would swiftly choke us.

On the other hand, how carefully the lungs of man are constructed to transfer the precious life-giving oxygen from air to blood stream. You don't have to possess a microscope or a laboratory full of queer looking bottles to see God's planning ability. Everything God does is planned and He cares for all the details. Nothing is forgotten.

Do you really doubt the story of God's planning? If you would examine a butterfly's wings or watch the gyrations of a humming bird, or note how wonderfully the fish fits into his watery environment, or look at your own hand and see the most amazing and versatile tool in all the universe, you should be convinced.

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